

# Aronia melanocarpa

## Black Chokeberry



Often found in moist, swampy areas in the wild, but will tolerate a variety of sites and soils.

White flowers in clusters in May, shiny purple-black berries in September. Fall foliage is a gorgeous wine-red. Transplants well; few insect or disease problems. In favorable sites, will spread to form broad thickets.

***Suggested companions:*** tamarack (*Larix laricina*), cedar (*Thuja occidentalis*), black spruce (*Picea mariana*), leatherleaf (*Chamaedaphne calyculata*), highbush blueberry (*Vaccinium corymbosum*), ferns

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Plant Type: Shrub

Size: 3-6' H  
3-6' W

Water Tolerant: Somewhat

Habitat:

Shrubby Wetland  
Woodland Margin  
Swamp/ Bog  
Forested Wetland

Soil: Average Garden Soil  
Sandy/ Gravelly  
Rich Moist  
Very Damp/Wet  
Clay

Exposure: sun  
filtered

Flower Color:  
White

Bloom Time:  
April  
May

Plant in:

Groundcover: No

Other Attributes:

Bird attracting  
Wildlife attracting  
Fall color